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SUBJECT: TURKISH FOREIGN MINISTER TALKS WITH GOI

1. FONOFF OFFICIAL HAS FILLED US IN ON BRIEF SEPTEMBER 18
ROME VISIT OF TURKISH FONMIN GUNES. PRINCIPLE POINTS FOLLOW.

2. ALTHOUGH FONMIN MORO, ACCORDING TO OUR SOURCE, NUDGED
GUNES TOWARD A MORE FLEXIBLE POSITION VIS-A-VIS GREECE,
THERE WAS LITTLE GIVE ON GUNES' PART. FOR MOST PART HE
SIMPLY REPEATED WELL-KNOWN GOT LINE.

3. CONVERSATION REINFORCED GOI IMPRESSION THAT THERE IS
NEAR TOTAL LACK OF CONFIDENCE BETWEEN GREEKS AND TURKS;
NEITHER WILLING TO MAKE FIRST MOVE. UP-COMING ELECTIONS IN
BOTH STATES MAKE THEIR RESPECTIVE POSITIONS EVEN MORE FRIGID.
FOR EXAMPLE, GUNES IS SAID TO HAVE TOLD MARO THAT HE FEELS
FOR "POOR KARAMANLIS" WHO HAS A PROBLEM WITH DOMESTIC SUPPORT
BUT, ADDED GUNES, "SO DOES ECEVIT." MORO REPORTEDLY TOLD
GUNES THAT, WHILE OUTSIDE MEDIATION MAY HELP, THERE CAN BE
NO SOLUTION OTHER THAN A TRUE ACCORD BETWEEN THE TWO STATES
MOST DIRECTLY CONCERNED. BEAUDRY

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